THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of

Satoshi OKUDERA et al.

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND REQUIRED EXTENSION FEE

SIR:

Applicants respectfully request a one-month extension of time for replying to the Office Action dated January 5, 2009 and request that the period for taking further action be reset to expire on May 5, 2009. This is an extension request for replying to the January 5 Office Action within the first month pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

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The reason for the present request is to provide additional time to study the January 5 Office Action and take appropriate action in response thereto.

A check in the amount \$130.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the required fee. Should the check prove insufficient for any reason, authorization is hereby given to charge any such insufficiency to Deposit Account No. 01-0268.

Respectfully submitted,

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